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German Democratic Republic

URGENCY OF GDR REPARATIONS DELIVERIES

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reparations deliveries to the USSR.

At a session of the Reparations Office in Halle on 25 July 1952, it was announced that all reparations orders for 1952 must have crossed the GDR border for shipment to the USSR by 15 October 1952.

Furthermore, according to instructions from the Reparations Office the Frankleben Steel Works must work on reparations orders exclusively during July and August 1952.

These instructions have caused considerable difficulties for the GDR people-owned industry. For example, one drum mixer of the Goeschwitz Cement works is out of order. Frankleben must deliver steel castings to repair this machine. The machine would have continued in operation despite its damaged condition had it not been for the fact that one worker was killed as a result of the damage.

Furthermore, the Maxhütte, Unterwellenborn, does not have any more replacement parts for its ore crusher and it must also be taken out of operation shortly because Frankleben and other steel plants are working on reparations orders and cannot deliver the parts needed.

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